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THOMPSON'S WEEKLY REVIEW

OLD PARTIES JOIN HANDS ON THE COLOR LINE

THE RATE BILL AND THE NEGRO

A Quarantine for McCauley.—Atlanta Makes Ready for Business Men's League.—Object to Negroes Leaving South.

(Staff Correspondence.)

Is there any definite line of demarkation between the parties when the race question becomes an issue? If so, the Republicans in the United States Senate will have it to explain why they permitted the Foraker amendment to the rate bill to be done to death by the combined votes of Democrats and Republicans when it was up for discussion last week. Many amendments have been offered to the railroad measure, but the first opportunity to test the temper of the body on the subject of discriminations between passengers, as well as on freight, came when Senator Foraker offered the following amendment:

"No carrier engaged in inter-state commenrce shall, directly or indirectly, by any special rate, rebate, drawback, or other device, charge, demand, collect or receive from any person a greater or less compensation for interstate transportation of passengers than it charges * * * any other person for the same, or equally as good accommodations and a like and equally good service," and penalties are prescribed for violations of the law. Following this are provisions relating to passes, special rates for excepted classes, agents, clergymen, employes, etc., which, however, are not particularly relevant to the point that concerns us at this time.

The Foraker insertion looked harmless enough upon the surface, but immediately upon its introduction, there started a storm which involved the entire Senate, and in the melee a very large colored individual was smoked out of the wood-pile. The sparring took wide range, with nobody anxious to take the bull by the horns, until Senator Bacon bluntly asked if it was not the intention of Senator Foraker to utilize the innocent-looking question of free passes, etc., as a rail upon which to ride another question of vital importance to the South—the matter of separate cars for Negroes.

To this, Mr. Foraker replied that he had heard much complaint from the South that the Negroes do not have transportation equal to that given to the whites; he did not want to compel the carrying of Negroes in the same cars with whites, but would have them given the same accommodations for the same pay. Mr. Bacon did not attack Mr. Foraker's contention for equal accommodations in separate cars; he based his objection mainly to the plan of giving the interstate commission any jurisdiction in the handling of discriminations, should any be found to exist, claiming that the state law covered the ground. Mr. Foraker insisted that the interstate commission have jurisdiction, as the federal authority did not comprehend the enforcement of a state enactment on any point. And upon this rock—the old problem of states' rights and federal interference—the parties split wide open. The Southern Senators saw in the Foraker proposition, not so much immediate danger, as far as any encroachment of the Negro was concerned, but perceived an insidious entering wedge of Federal authority into what they conceived to be a local matter, and they fought bitterly for the full recognition of the state law on the question of equal accommodations, for once the government got control, the entire fabric of separate cars for the interstate service might be swept away at one fulll swoop. The federal monster must be put to flight at any cost. Before the Negro shall have the potential support of a single clause of the rate bill, the entire bill must be sacrificed. Flying this banner of defiance, the "gang" went to bat in a bunch, in defense of their "sacred traditions." Bailey, Bacon, Tillman, Clay, Money and Culbertson all got on the firing line, and went ta it, hammer and tongs. When the smoke of battle had cleared away, the South had routed Foraker, the big Republican majority, and the amendment, horse, foot and dragoon—they had been taken into camp most ingloriously. Senator Culberson, of Texas, had offered at the psychological moment, an amendment as a substitute for the Foraker amendment, and after an intricate maze of filibustering, had succeeded in having his substitute adopted by a vote of 38 to 35. Party lines went beautifully to smash. Twelve Republicans voted with the Democrats for the Culberson substitute—twelve putative "friends" of the "man and brother" left Foraker and an administration measure in the lurch—all because somebody of the fascinating Southland alleged that there was presumably "a nigger in the wood-pile." The Washington Star was moved to remark editorially:

"The way in which the Foraker amendment, which seemed to some Southern Senators to cover an attack on the 'Jim-Crow' car system, was hustled out of the rate bill, is highly suggestive of combinations that throw down all party lines and threaten to put prophets out of business."

Yea, verily! This rate bill has made some strange bed-fellows, and when it does become a law it can be truthfully described as a veritable "Joseph's coat" as to its variegated hues, and fearfully and wonderfully made as to its architecture. Some profess to think that in defeating the Foraker amendment the Democrats unwittingly rendered the black citizens a service—that the effect of the Foraker amendment would have been to have "jim-crowed" the Negro in all the states. That is a far-fetched construction of the matter. The jim crow car is a purely southern institution. Separate cars exist only where public sentiment demands them. There is no such sentiment in the North of sufficient weight to carry a legisltaure on the issue. The insistence upon equal accommodations would estop any railroad from separating the races on its own motion, for the separate car is an expense to the corporations that give equal accommodations for the comparatively meager first-class Negro passenger patronage. The hidden benefit which Senator Foraker sought to invoke in behalf of the Negro, and which the South shrewdly saw through, was to bring the transportation lines of the South under the jurisdiction of the Interstate Commerce Commission. This federal arm can be trusted to do the right thing by all. The Negro has now been squeezed out of the bill—probably for all eternity. He has been sacrificed in the house of his putative friends as a vicarious offering to the fetich of states' rights to placate a Democratic minority. This is politics—God save the mark! Somebody wlil have some tall explaining to do if the Negro voters of the North have any sand in their craw. There is some more work cut out for the man with the muck rake.

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One Charles McCauley, a refugee from the South, who holds an office in Washington by virtue of the tolerance of northern loyalists, and who masquerades as president of the East Brookland Citizens' Association in the vicinity of the capital, has written a letter to Congressman Heflin, of Alabama, indorsing, in the name of his alleged association, the Heflin bill to compel the street railways of Washington to run jim-crow cars, expressing the hope that the bill will soon become a law. If the said McCauley is ignorant enough to believe that such a law could stand in the District of Columbia or that it stands a ghost of a show of passing the national legislature, he ought to be quarantined in defense of the intellectual health of the community and made to ride in separate cars provided especially for pests of his class. The Heflins and the McCauleys are the despair of our republican form of government, and their mouthings retard the growth of our free institutions. "Rause mit 'em!"

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"Georgia's business men to the front!" is the slogan sounded by the enterprising Brunswick Herald, which, under the painstaking management of A. Jasper Shootes and James G. Carter, has come to be regarded as the principal authority on Business League matters in "the State of Clark Howell." The Herald, speaking for First Vice-president G. M. Howell, says that the officers of the National Negro Business League, with the hearty co-operation of the business men and wide-awake citizens of Atlanta, are working zealously, with glowing prospects of making the coming League meeting the grandest in the history of the organization. With no less interest are the Georgia State League and its local branches laboring to make the Atlanta session a great success. Everybody who attends will be benefited and charmed with Atlanta's open-handed hospitality, which will be at the top notch Aug. 29, 30 and 31. National Organizer Moore, Corresponding Secretary Scott and Transportation Agent Adams, who are keeping in touch with the many local leagues, report very flattering announcements from every section of the country, and delegates who have never as yet been present at a national gathering will be at Atlanta, besides the regular contingent who have been on hand every year. Confident assurances are given that there will be nothing to complain of by visitors from the North, East or West in the way of discrimination on account of color. The South is entirely sympathetic with the Negro's ambition to be a commercial factor and will welcome the worthy members of the race to the best the city affords. At Richmond, in 1902, the "lid" was lifted most satisfactorily by the good white people of the Virginia metropolis, with no damaging results to the local feeling, and Atlanta purposes this year to outdo her sister city ten to one in suspending the objectionable customs heretofore prevailing there, and binds itself to extend its gladdest of hands to the National Negro Business League and its host of friends who enter its gates next August.

Among the multitude of telegrams received by Dr. W. P. Thirkield congratulating him upon his election as president of Howard University was the following encouraging message from Dr. Booker T. Washington:

"Dr. W. P. Thirkield—I congratulate you most heartily upon your election to the presidency of Howard University. The trustees have chosen wisely. Your previous record and experience will add much to your usefulness as president of the great school now in your charge. You will, I am sure, satisfy our race.

BOOKER T. WASHINGTON.

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American folk music is enjoying a vogue—because it deserves it. Musicians of taste are tiring of manufactured admiration of incomprehensible "old masters," and they are finding that the themes of Wagner, Beethoven, Haydn, Mozart and the rest are all very well in their way, but they do not appeal to the American heart. They are grand, but they are foreign. A cultured few may go into raptures over the arias and sonatas, redolent with the atmosphere of the Rhine, but the masses will forever cling with increasing affection to Stephen Collins Foster and his "Suwanee River," "Old Kentucky Home," "Uncle Ned," "Massa's in de Cold, Cold Ground," "Old Black Joe" and others, while "Dixie," "Steal Away," "Swing Low, Sweet Chariot" and the melodies suggestive of cotton blossoms and sugar cane will never fail to inspire the true American, be he of the North or of the South. Dr. Dvorak and the modern masters were eminently correct when they said the typical American music is based upon the folk song, and when the great American opera is written the composer will go to it for his prevailing strain.

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Tom Watson, the Georgia radical, has been paying his "disrespects" to Bishop Turner and inquiring why it is that the Negroes do not leave the State of Georgia and the South in general if they are dissatisfied. In reply to the query of the notorious fire-eating denizen of Crackerdom the Brunswick Herald says:

"A partial answer might be given by the police authorities of Brunswick, as they saw fit to arrest a man who recently had a crowd of Negroes to leave here in search of work. These men had been employed to go to New York to work, but the police authorities here strenuously objected to them going, and when it was found that they could not prevent the men from going they arrested the agent, presumably for disturbing their peace. The truth of the whole thing is the Negro is doing good here, both for himself and for the white man, and both sides know it; hence the foolishness of either side trying to conceal the fact."

This is reliable testimony. The South wants the Negro, but he wants him in the "place" it has carved out for him. The clash comes when the progressive black man runs counter to the repressive policies of the white man, or vice versa. It is plainly evident that the thirfty Negro, who is willing to work, does not wish to leave the South to go to Africa, or anywhere else, if he can get decent treatment in his home community; and, furthermore, the white man of sense does not intend to let him go if he can find a way to prevent it. Let the thoughtful whites of the State of Georgia put a stopper on the mouths and paralyze the pens of her

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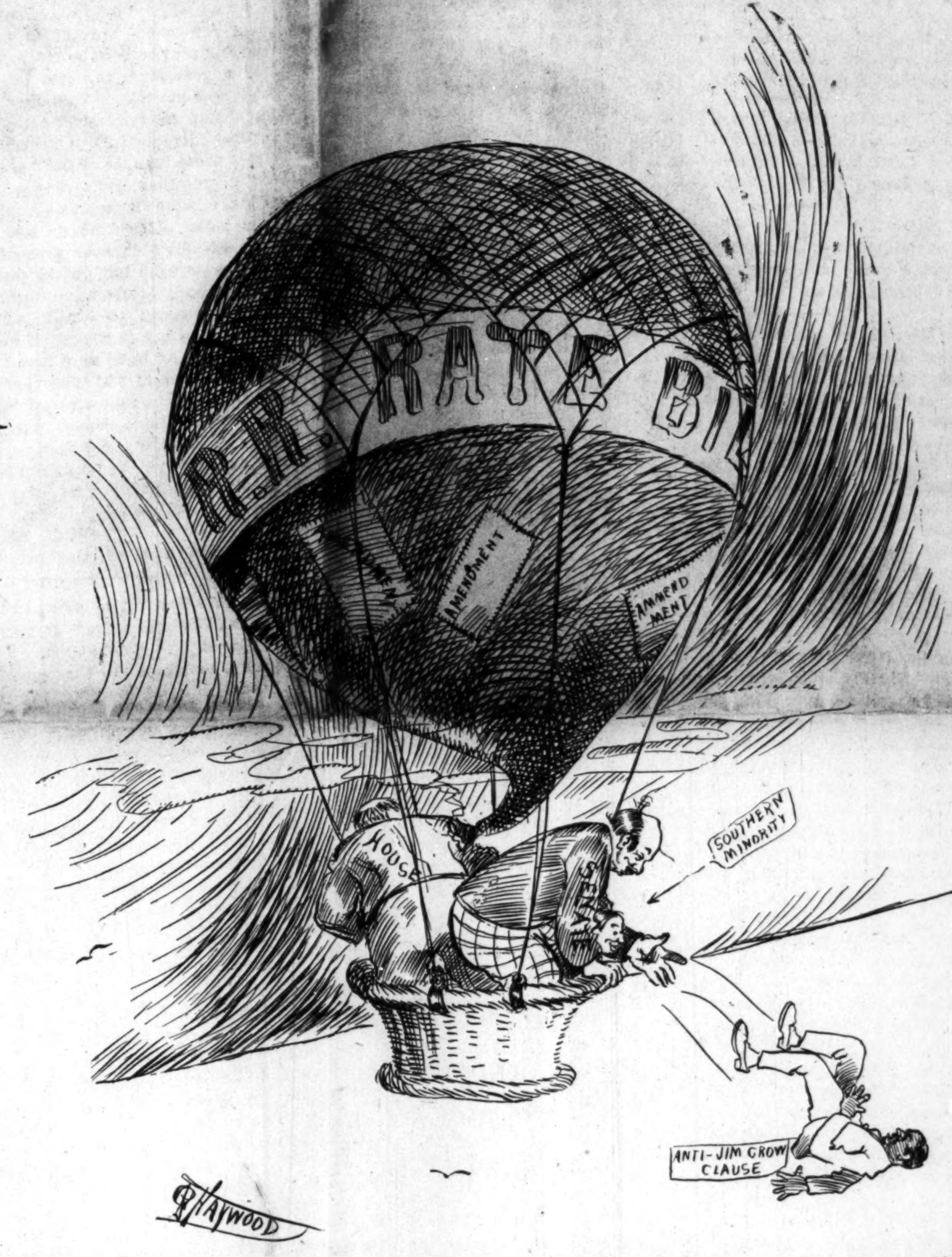
THROWING OFF SOME BALLAST.



The clause prohibiting "discrimination on roads where an equal rate is charged" was stricken out because the minority objected to it.

WASHINGTON IN THE WEST

GREAT GATHERINGS IN THREE MISSOURI TOWNS

GOVERNOR FOLK IS ENDORSED

A Southern Man Names the Three Great Americans.—$3,000 for Douglass Hospital and Training School.

St. Joseph, Mo., May 10.—One of the most remarkable of a series of remarkable meetings was that which came about as a result of Booker T. Washington's visit to this place last Saturday, May 5. He came to the West at the special invitation of Bishop Abraham Grant, of the A. M. E. Church, Kansas City, Mo. Bishop Grant accompanied him the whole trip.

The first of the meetings was at St. Louis, Mo. Fifteen hundred or more persons crowded the "Midway" of the Union Station with admirers of Mr. Washington, who lustily cheered him as he emerged from his car and proceeded to the waiting carriage. An entertainment committee of one hundred also met him and formally welcomed him to the city. He spoke at night at the Odeon Theater, one of the largest and the finest of the city's many playhouses. The meeting was in the interest of the Colored Charities of St. Louis, and was under the general management of the Colored Ministers' Association of the city. Not less than three hundred of the city's representative white men and women joined the twenty-five hundred Negro citizens who were present in warmly and cordially applauding the many telling points of the unusually eloquent and persuasive address.

The meeting at Kansas City was the largest and most impressive of all. Convention Hall, the largest in the State, where the last national convention of the Democratic party was held, had been engaged. Ten thousand persons paid admissions for the privilege of hearing him here; five hundred of these were white citizens. No such gathering of Negroes has ever come together in this state. The demonstration when Mr. Washington arose to speak was without precedent. The applause uninterruptedly lasted for five minutes and was renewed again and again as he attempted to secure a silence that he might proceed. The newspapers devoted considerable space to full reports detailing the incidents of the occasion. An interesting feature of the address at Kansas City was the following tribute to Governor Folk, of Missouri:

"I have but one object in coming to this State," he said," and that is to see for myself, as far as a short visit will permit, the condition and progress of my race, and to say a word that shall be designed to promote their interests. It is also most gratifying to note that for the most part there is here peace and good will among the races. I am glad to note that in the state of Missouri you have a Governor who is not afraid nor ashamed to enforce the law in connection with the crime of lynching, and the leaders of the colored race should constantly show to the world that they stand shoulder to shoulder with the best white people in the prevention of crime and in securing legal punishment of criminals."

The address was supplemented by a musical programme in which two bands, an orchestra and the Choral Society of Western University took part. The whole was given to raise funds for Douglass Hospital and Training School of the West End, established in 1898. Dr. T. C. Unthank, chairman of the committee which arranged the benefit, estimated the net receipts at $3,000.

An informal reception was tendered Mr. Washington after the programme. "Oh, the joy of looking into so many bright and happy faces," he said during the handshaking. "I came to try to uplift and am myself uplifted. I am proud that I'm a black man. I congratulate Kansas City on the character of her colored population."

The visit to St. Joseph was in fulfillment of a long-time promise made to Prof. N. C. Bruce, principal of the Bartlett High School. Eighteen hundred people greeted Dr. Washington at the Tootle Theater. A significant

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IN THE WOMAN'S WORLD.

BY "DOROTHY."

This column is devoted to the interests of women. Address all communications to the Woman's Department, The Freeman, Indianapolis, Ind

BE CAREFUL WHAT YOU SAY.

In speaking of a person's faults,
  Pray don't forget your own;
Remember those with homes of glass
  Should seldom throw a stone.
If we have nothing else to do
  Than talk of those who sin,
'Tis better to commence at home,
  And from that point begin.

We have no right to judge a man
  Until he's fairly tried,
Should we not like his company,
  We know the world is wide.
Some may have faults—and who have not?
  The old as well as the young,
Perhaps we may, for aught we know,
  Have fifty to their one.

I'll tell you of a better plan,
  And find it works full well—
To try my own defects to cure
  Ere others' faults I tell;
And though I sometimes hope to be
  No worse than some I know,
My own shortcomings bid me let
  The faults of others go.

Then let us all when we begin
  To slander friends or foe,
Think of the harm one word may do
  To those we little know.
Remember, curses sometimes, like
  Our chickens, "roost at home;"
Don't speak of others' faults until
  We have none of our own.
                --Exchange.

IS THIS PROTECTION OF WOMEN?

In the fight of a certain publication against the confirmation of Dr. Vernon as registrar of treasury, the editor constantly parades the scandal in which a young Kansas woman is concerned. Every week a reference is made and literature has been sent out all over the world consisting of letters and affidavits made by parties concerned. People who know nothing of the affair, and no doubt care less, read of the misfortune of the young woman. The facts presented are that eight years ago this girl was assaulted by Mr. Vernon without provocation, and the affair was then related to her father and her affianced, and they setled it without publicity with Mr. Vernon. The girl, who still continued in the confidence of her loved ones, has gone on as much of a lady as ever, successful in her work and highly respected.

Eight years after this man aspires to office, and in order to defeat him this poor girl's name must be dragged around by the public, the principal in a disgraceful scandal. His opponents claim that they are protecting womanhood. Whether Mr. Vernon is guilty or not, a man can survive many things, and the world sees to it that he does, while those that pretend to be giving a helping hand to a woman are pushing her back. What good can come out of this for the woman? Suppose the confirmation takes place or does not, who suffers from all this? If this is protection for women, to put them in the mouths of the world because somebody has erred; to spread their disgrace to the winds; to stamp them with the scarlet letter in order that some man may not have a public position; to send broadcast things that will forever live in the minds of the people to the detriment of the party concerned; when political opinion and personal grudges by men posing as leaders are to be avenged by the airing of a happening in a woman's life, if this is protection for women, good Lord deliver us from all protection.

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"OZONIZED OX MARROW"
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KINKY or CURLY HAIR that it can be put up in any style desired consistent with its length.
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Mrs. Fannie Barrier Williams, the gifted writer and lecturer, is now on a lecture tour.

Mrs. Pollie Johnson has opened a kindergarten school at her home in Hartford avenue, Muskogee, I. T.

The State Federation of Colored Women's Clubs of Colorado will hold its third annual convention in Denver, June 12 to 14 inclusive.

Mrs. C. D. Douglass, of Denver, held her millinery opening recently, which was a grand success. The exhibition of beautiful hats was exceptional.

Miss Alice Andrews, a musical wonder of Chicago, is playing for a class of white girls at one of the largest dancing schools on the West Side at Chicago.

Miss Alberta Badger, of Macon, Ga., has a class in Hardanger embroidery. The class is making great progress and hope to have an exhibition at the State Fair.

The Mothers' Association, of Charleston, is making extensive preparations for the opening of their nursery in the latter part of this month. Bishop N. B. Salter will preside and deliver an address.

Rev. John L. Scudder, of Jersey City, talking about the business women, and comparing the present condition of women in civilized countries with their conditions in the past, calls attention to the fact that even today in Tunis and Algiers a wife can be bought for the price of a mule.

In a recent number of the Journal of Political Economy, two university women in Chicago publish a resume of that part of the report of the twelfth census which deals with women engaged in useful occupations. From these it appears that in 1890 there were more than 5,000,000 women engaged in earning their own living, and that the rate of increase for ten years was greater than the rate of increase for men.

Attorney William Herring, of Tucson, Ariz.,made the motion for the admission of his daughter, Sarah Herring Sorin, to practice in the Supreme Court last month. Mrs. Sorin is the twenty-fifth woman admitted to practice in the court. Mrs. Belva Lockwood, who was the first ever admitted to practice in the court, was present.

Rose color, it is predicted, will be one of the most popular shades of the summer, and white is not to be as much worn as during the last two years. A gown of this shade, worn by Mrs. William K. Vanderbilt, is described as having a pleated walking skirt of ankle length, with a double-breasted coat, which reaches to the knee and is without a vestige of trimming.

Women who are going to buy a mohair skirt to wear with a lingerie waist must remember to buy one of a dead-white shade, as a cream-colored one will interfere with the artistic effect of the waist. This sort of skirt is most economical and can be cleaned most beautifully.

There is nothing new about shoes except that a great many gray ties and pumps are being sold. Pumps for walking shoes are as stylish as ever. White shoes in castor and canvas are to be worn a great deal. Walking ties are very mannish in appearance, and many women, not content with appearances, are buying the walking shoes in the boys' department of the shoe store. They will be found heavier than the shoe usually worn, and it is advisable to wear them a few hours at a time until you are used to them.

A GRAPHIC DESCRIPTION

OF THE SAN FRANCISCO HORROR BY A COAST RESIDENT.

THE ARM OF PITY AND GREED

Grappling in Rivalry for Victims.—The Havoc of Fire More Destructive Than That of Earthquake.—Few Negroes Injured and Killed.

When Nero sat placidly in his great palace and watched the palaces, walls and hanging garden of the City of Rome burn, crumbling beneath the raging flames, he saw no more spectacular sight than was furnished by the great conflagration that has just ceased in the great metropolis across the bay. Nero's heart was only inspired by the panorama produced by the leaping, gnawing flames, thinking not that every tongue of fire that shot heavenward left terrors, suffering, poverty and desolation in its wake. During the time the sweet strains of music floated on his ear, then the moans and shrieks of agonizing ones could have been heard while this went on.

Seismic disturbances caused by the pressure on accumulated gases from the heated interior may be a sort of philosophical explanation of the cause of this destructive upheaval, but we who live here and know the past and survey the present condition concertedly, believe that God performed this wonder in his own way, while fulfilling, from a Christian standpoint, the inexorable law of sowing and reaping. Newspapers have exploited much since this calamity that befell our once boastful sister city, San Francisco, has occurred. The editor's brush has been used freely, but it may truthfully be said that agony and bereavement can only touch the soul of man through the eye and ear. If once you saw that city in her splendor, with towering buildings, magnificently residented streets, its mansion, and ever-verdure parks, and now would but behold it with fissures and upheavals in its streets, ghastly shattered walls, wreckage and the devastated condition of many square miles of this once proud city, you would better know how the hand of God, fate, or the Devil, has dealt with it. If once you saw the ill-belated who experienced the rocking in the arms of that mighty earthquake, with their all in their hand, and that sorrowful look on their brow, or heard the short story of their endurance through it all, you could the better condole with them. The destruction caused by the quake was nothing to compare with that caused by the fire. Thousands had ample time to save their household goods, and many did pile such in the streets as was most dear to them, only to see the fire slowly eat its way to them and consume them, for they could hire no one to move them to safety.

The hand of pity and the hand of greed grappled in rivalry for their victims with pity predominating. Never in the history of America has small hearts bounded into large ones, and large ones filled to overflowing with sympathy and salvation toward an appalled-stricken people. It is safe to estimate that $12,000,000 will not encompass the philanthropy in dollars given to the suffering and distressed. Providentially, our people were very few who lived in San Francisco where the destruction visited. I have only the knowledge of three being killed, which was in a measure owing to so few living in the business, slum, and aristocratic parts of the city. Everything in these sections was destroyed. The spirit of the Good Samaritan went out from every Negro home in Oakland, especially to the needy unfortunate ones of his kin. These people suffered their greatest loss as a whole by the wiping out of every Colored Church in the city, the nicest of which was the Third Baptist (Rev. J. H. Kelly, pastor), which was estimated at about $90,000. Now that the tide of want and need is over, the Rev. A. J. Dennis, of North Oakland Baptist Church, has converted, in a measure, his church into a dormitory. Rev. J. W. Walker, of Oakland Beth Eden Baptist Church, uses his church as a boarding house. Rev. S. W. Mathew's church, (A. M. E. Zion), is headquarters of the Relief Aid Commissary, himself chairman and leader of his flock, while Dr. O. E. Jones, of A. M. E. Church, has established an Employment Aid Bureau in his church to aid the willing to find employment. The hand of greed has recently been cuffed by a decree of our Mayor to "confiscate the stock of any dealer or vendor who charges more than the usual price for food, drink, or raiment, until further orders." In other words, everything is to remain in prices as before.

New San Francisco.

Much will be said of a new San Francisco. History stands in favor of there being rebuilt a more prosperous and beautiful city than once crowned the Golden Gate heights, but years will be needed to dull memory of this appalling catastrophe before the new San Francisco will measure up to the heights of the mind builders of today. As a manufacturing city there has always been a financial obstacle to business men to overcome, viz., the tollage of both material and for labor, to and from the city. San Francisco lies on a peninsular between S. F. bay and the Pacific ocean, the bay being four miles wide, i. e., from Oakland, Calif. For many years one transportation company (S. P. R. R.) has had the sole transportation of everything in its grasp. Freightage costs an exorbitant price, and business men always had to hire help from across the bay, adding to their normal wages the ferryage which was $3.00 per month per head. These things were an annoyance and expense. The bay is navigable by vessels of all draughts and factories and business enterprises could be established on the mainland shore of the bay and this excess charge of freightage and tollage be saved to the employer.

Again, the complete satisfied mind of woman alone is the power that builds up the resident portion of any city. Woman forgets, 'tis true, but not soon any harmful agency or direful calamity. Remembrance of the past constantly brought to mind by the frequent tremors in California will for a generation to come be against the rehabitation of this new Frisco. It should be remembered that many owned property in San Francisco and lived there because of their possession of it, yet they deplored the climate. This climate is ever succeptible to the action of a land or sea breeze, one of which is ever present, while just across the bay on the main land the climate is most uniform. Fogs are a menace to health and ferry traffic. In my judgment, if one is to establish and build up a new business and a fabric in which to carry it on, if they are to rear up new mansions and comfortable homes again, they will take into the strictest account their expense and gain and their health and safety first of all as a part of the law of self-duty.

W. R. MOTEN.
860 Brush street, Oakland, Calif.

DR. WASHINGTON MAKES AN ADDRESS AT ST JOSEPH.

Dr. B. T. Washington, president and founder of the Tuskegee Normal and Industrial Institute, put in a little more than twelve busy hours in this city today. He arrived here from Kansas City at 9:30 A. M. and left for Chicago at 9:50 P. M.

Mr. Washington was met at the depot by a reception committee, composed of the leading professional and business men of the city.

After a drive through the principal streets of the city, Mr. Washington was entertained at as elaborate luncheon at the Bartlett (colored) High School. A noteworthy feature of this luncheon was that the entire meal was prepared by pupils in the domestic science department of the school, under the direction of Miss Derric.

The great educator was then conducted through the various departments of the school, including the garden and farm.

Mr. Washington was tendered a banquet by the colored citizens at the Ebenezer A. M. E. Church, at 5:30 o'clock, at which he indulged in a heart-to-heart talk with his people, telling them how to improve the conditions of the race.

The crowning feature of a rather strenuous day was his lecture, at the Tootle Theater, on "Economic Independence the Hope of the Race."

Mr. Washington said, among other things: "Since Negroes are here, and are here to stay, the only logical course to pursue is to prepare to meet the conditions with which they are and will be confronted."

The speaker urged upon his hearers the importance of cultivating friendliness between the two races.

After giving a brief account of the founding and development of the great Tuskegee Institute he closed with an appeal to the Negro to build better homes, and get out of the one-room-shacks and alleys.—W. H. Hill, Freeman Correspondent.

Miss Hallie Quinn Brown, of "Homewood Cottage," Wilberforce, is enjoying a season of unexampled success. Her repertoire of lectures and recitals is rich and varied, including "The Art of Reading," "London, Old and New," Switzerland and Her Alps," "Pisturesque Wales, Past and Present," "Paul Dunbar: His Humor and Pathos in Poetry and Prose." In addition to these she gives a graphic and highly entertaining exhibit of Negro folk-lore and folk-song, illustrated by quaint wit and wisdom from cottonfield and cabin.

The Novello Palm Garden is a new vaudeville theater in Chicago, onwed, managed and supplied by Negro talent. Chicago is destined to be the natural center of the theatrical life of the Negor—if it is not already so.

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George Brownton is again at Brazos Cafe, Houston, under headwaiter G. W. Harris.

L. D. Montgomery, head waiter at the Park Hotel, which will remain open throughout the year.

C. P. Thompson is again to the front as he is now in charge of the dining room at the Milwaukee Hotel. All the boys send regards.

Officers appointed at the Hotel Bristol under head waiter J. P. Bradshaw are: E. G. Gilmore, captain; C. A. Linley, lieutenant; James Young, linen; John Tanner, reporter.

C. A. Mason succeeded Mr. A. Jackson as head waiter at the new Hotel Moody, Hot Springs, Ark., April 28. 1906, and is giving first-class satisfaction. His dining room force is as follows: C. A. Mason, head waiter; O. A. Morgan, captain; Walter Thompson, Septimus Matthews, Leonard Moore, W. H. Hall, O. T. Thompson, Will Haley, Robert Diffey, A. R. Bennett, Robert Buck, Geo. Cox, Will Dailey, C. W. McDonald, Wm. Donnelly, J. W. Greene.

Charles M. Dockry is head waiter at the Southern Hotel, at Meridian, Miss., succeeding N. J. Durden, who has resigned. Mr. Dockry has been employed by the same company, of which Mr. Millspaugh is president, for a number of years. He has the following to assist him: Albert Graham, captain; Wm. Gibbs, A. Gibbs, Horace Jackson, Arthur Sellers, Alex. Young, Sam Sanders, Percey Walden, Ed. Bowdery, Bennie Bones. They are strict to business and always on hand. They have for their mascot a ten-year-old boy, who serves as water boy.

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At each convention for the last past few years, I have been urged to allow my name to go before the convention for the presidency, this I refused to do because I was not at that time settled, but now I am permanently located in Atlantic City, at the Chalfonte Hotel, and at the renewal of the solicitations of my friends, I have decided to allow my name to go before the convention for the presidency. If honored with the office, I will adhere to my past record, and make the paramount issues the establishing of a closer relation between the hotel proprietors, managers and waiters, and thus open up new avenues for both the side and head waiters, and establish an employment bureau, and secure employment for the members free of charge. Those who will not attend the convention and wish to give me their support can vote by proxy. The proxies can be sent directly to me at the Chalfonte Hotel, Atlantic City, N. J.

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SHORT FLIGHTS.

BY R. W. THOMPSON.

"When you've got a thing to say,
Say it—don't take half a day.
When your tale's got little in it,
Crowd the whole thing in a minute.
Boil her down until she simmers,
Polish her until she glimmers.
When you've got a thing to say,

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Small men are not helped by prosperity.

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One worker in the field is worth a hundred critics by the fireside.

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Intelligent discontent is the foundation upon which all progress is built.

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Nothing comes to him who waits—except death and taxes—unless he hustles while he waits.

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Tom Lawson on "Frenzied Finance" isn't a "marker" to Rev. D. A. Graham on "Paralyzed Preachers."

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The world readily forgives men and women who make mistakes, but it "double-crosses" those who fail to profit by their mistakes.

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Renting a house is not a social function—as some agents and owners seem to imagine when a Negro wants a respectable place to live in.

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It will be of incalculable benefit to the South to let it be known that conventions of every kind can be held within her domain, and that freedom of speech is denied no orderly person, white or black.

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Tne world is ceasing to ask, "Who are you?" It wants to know "What can you do?" It is not inquiring as anxiously as it once did, "What do you know?" It is asking, "What have you done?"

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Those who prefer their Negro exhibitions "straight," will attend the Ohio State Colored Industrial and Educational Exposition, of which Mr. P. W. Chavers is director-general. It comes off this fall at Dayton, Buckeyedom's prettiest city.

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When an employer finds that his clerk, stenographer or other helper is retailing the secrets of the office at home or on the streets, that employee can not be "fired" to qiuckly for the good of all concerned. Inside tattlers are the ruination of scores of colored business establishments.

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The United States Supreme Court and the Department of Justice ought to see to it that the history of the Chattanooga lynching does them no discredit. Anation that boasts of being a "world power," ought not to be outwitted by an irresponsible mob of low-class loafers.

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The President can find "the man with the muck rake" in a little dingy back room at 3 Tremont Row, Boston, if he cares to make any further investigations on the subject he has so luminously brought into the public eye. Other horrible examples can be furnished on short notice.

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The people's next emancipation should be two-fold. We need to free ourselves from political subserviency on the one hand, and from the tyranny of denominationalism on the other. Rationalism in both politics and religion would redound everlastingly to our welfare as a race.

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When a Japanese marries a white girl, there may be a whisper of surprise, and all is over. When a Negro obeys the same call of Cupid, it is miscegenation, and society is up in arms thereat. Yet the Negro in the case may be whiter than the aforesaid Jap. Why the difference?

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As a reflex if the lynching of there Negroes at Springfield, Mo., a crowd of white boys at Kansas City, armed with clubs and stones, killed John Moore, a 15-year-old colored boy, breaking his neck with a club. Of course, the white boys escaped, and their identity is "not known." The shame of it!

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Perhaps it is stating the proposition too broadly to describe "the South" as the "Negro's friend," but it is a happy circumstance, that in the South there is an increasing number of upright, honorable and just men and women who are the strongest and most reliable friends the Negro has anywhere under the sun.

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Evidently the "staff correspondent" is having his innings. It's a mighty poor paper nowadays that can not boast of one or more "special" purveyors of "hot stuff." Maybe these humble chroniclers of the times will eventually be able to develop into a legitimate and lucrative profession, a calling that has heretofore been scarcely more than a pooly-appreciated gratuity.

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Mrs. E. C. Williams, of Cleveland, Ohio, daughter of the novelist, Charles W. Chesnutt, has earned a literary reputation in her own right. She is the author of some very meritorious poems, which have been published here and there in a number of magazines and newspapers. Mrs. Williams is at present engaged in teaching at Normal, Ala., being the instructor in Latin and German at Prof. W. H. Councill's school.

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The Negries of the country have given liberally to the San Francisco sufferers. So have the Chinese. Both expressly stipulated that the money should go for the relief of all kinds and conditions if humanity. It is to be hoped that the committee disbursed the funds in the same impartial spirit that the donors gave it—allowing all races to share and share alike.

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Valley Junction, Iowa, has been rid of a gang of desperadoes by one lone woman, carrying a revolver in each hand. The gang had heard that Iowa women had a reputation of hitting what they aimed at, so decamped with a promptness that was delightful to behold. We nominate this woman at once for sheriff of Springfield, Mo., in place of the coward who holds forth there, and move suspension of the rules in order to make her eligible for appointment for life. Let us give the women a chance.

Mr. Wm. F. T. Chandler, head waiter at the Merchants' Hotel, St. Paul, Minn., has tendered his resignation, to take effect on May 10, 1906. Mr. Chandler is the first head waiter that has ever held the house as long as three years under the present manager, who has been manager for eleven years.

J. H. Andrews has charge of the dining room of the Albert Hotel, at Selma. Ala., working a crew of twelve men, who are giving perfect satisfaction. Lewis Porter is secretary and J. J. Perry captain. Mr. Andrews is the agent for the Freeman.

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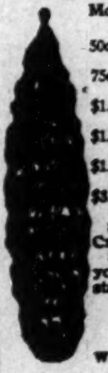

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A DIGNIFIED CRITICISM.

The Voice of the Negro for May is another one of the good numers being put out by that magazine. "Our Monthly Review," from the pen of J. Max Barber, is good reading, as are many other of its features. But the current number of the Voice of the Negro will be chiefly remembered because of Mr. Barber's dignified criticism of the Tuskegee Anniversary and Mr. Washington.

We reveal no secret when we state that there has been a decided difference of opinion among prominent members of the race as to the effect of some of Mr. Washington's teachings. We have before stated that we believed this difference to have been greatly aggravated by the intemperate sayings of many who were unqualified to speak for either side. But Mr. Barber has placed before us the basic claims of the nonconformists in a manner free from screeching, hair-pulling and abuse—in such a manner and with such clearness that Mr. Washington's friends need feel no offense or hesitate to reply. Let him read it who may, and he will find it to contain thoughtful observations and keen discernment all expressed in a manner most entertaining. Much of its discernment was too keen for so dull a mind as ours, for we confess that the Anniversary did not appear to us "like a great fair," where "weeks were required in getting the show in order." We saw nothing, aside from a few strips of bunting in the chapel and a little reviewing stand but what might have been a part of the everyday condition of things. That there was some making ready for the big event is to be supposed, for we usually brush up a little and whitewash here and there when we expect company at our homes. Our dullness of mind again shows itself in our failure to see that "the spectacular side is overdone at Tuskegee." In fact, we thought we saw the very absence of this. But more important is the statement: "While it is true that he has advanced beyond the position he took up twenty years ago, still he insists that our problem is economic; that the Negro's chief need is wealth, and that for the present we do not need to concern ourselves about civic and political rights and duties."

We think that the latter part of this statement is very much modified by the former, viz.: "He has advanced beyond the position he took up twenty years ago." It is unnecssary to quote from Mr. Washington's utterances of the past sixty days, which show that he is asking for every right of the colored man which goes to make him a full-fledged citizen and man. Whether he believed that these demands if made by him twenty years ago would have passed unheard, and has waited for a time when he could be heard, we do not know. At any rate he is saying the thing now, and certainly to better effect than would have been produced if said before the day of his tremendous success. We believe that he is constantly giving proofs that no members of the race need doubt but that he will use the eminence he has gained for the highest good.

"AN EMINENT DIPLOMAT."

The above headline is the manner in whhich the daily press of this city speaks of Robert E. Mansfield, who is at his home in this city on a leave of absence from the post of consul at Valparaiso, Chili. Mr. Mansfield was formerly consul to Madagascar, and he never fails to relate some experiences of his during his stay there. The other day under the head of "Shoots a Queen," some of his friends related how he walked out into the woodland of that country and enjoyed himself winging the birds which flew up about him. Suddenly he heard a scream, and later learned that he had shot a "dusky queen who was basking in the shade of the trees with her maids." He then tells of how he soon after found it convenient to be away from his post of duty. He tells it all as though it were some little cute circumstance.

We have a distinct recollection of reading some years ago in the Indianapolis Journal another of his thrilling experiences. With the same arrogance and cuteness he told of a hair-breadth escape. We give his own words as nearly as we can recall them. The substance was as follows:

"I was walking along and came up to a native who sat directly in my path. I told him to move. He showed no disposition to do so, and I gave the impudent fellow a kick, so as to teach him to show the proper respect to a white man. At night he was seen skulking around with a murderous-looking knife. The fellow was caught, tied to a tree and given froty lashes on his bare back, and then I laid on a few myself."

Such are some of the thrilling experiences of our "eminent diplomat." In spite of the fact that any foreign country has many things of interest that might be told to Americans, these things are the kind that appear especially interesting and cute to this "eminent diplomat," R. E. Mansfield. He is now expecting to be transferred to some European post, and, since he has recently become the son-in-law of the Hon. John K. Gowdy, it is quite probable that he will. Whether he has done something in Chili that makes that a desirable country for him to stay away from, we do not know. At any rate it is to be hoped that he will be sent to some country where his cute performances will bring him the results they deserve.

MONINGER OUT UNDER BOND

"The case of Albert Monninger, a drug clerk, charged with offenses by the parents of two young girls, was called before Judge Whallon yesterday morning in Police Court. Monninger pleaded not guilty. His trial was set for next Tuesday. Monninger is at liberty under a $5,000 bond, furnished by his father, Daniel Monninger.

One of the children, Agnes Smith, 7 years old, was sent to the City Hospital yesterday for treatment. Her condition is said to be serious."

The above item appeared in the This is all there was said on th esub- This is all ther was said o nthe subject. It is quite unnecessary to ask what would have been the result if this man had had a brown skin. We have no other purpose in printing this than to call attention to the fact criminal assault, if committed by a white man, is an entirely different thing than when committed by a Negro. Why such modest headlines? Why so slight a mention? Why is there no talk of lynching? Of course he denies it, but mere denials cut very little figure when the assailant has a brown skin.

Only a few days ago two Negroes were burned at Springfield, Mo., for the alleged offense of insulting a white woman who was accompanied by a man. But here were two children, and the one 7 years of age is in the hospital as the result of the treatment she received, and yet one hears no mention of the matter, and the daily press is moved only to the extent of this little paragraph, and on the inside of the paper at that. No decent colored man or woman asks that crime go unpunished, nor do they apologize for it. What they ask is that the crime be punished. They have no sympathy for the Negro criminal, for they know that they are bearing his burdens in addition to their own. If crime, instead of color, were the thing punished, they would have only their own burdens to bear, and these they are willing to bear. But in spite of these proofs of a practical indifference shown where a white man is the criminal, you will soon see or read of some form of savage fury taking the lives of black suspects against whom no such crime is charged, or, if so charged, against whom there may not be the least tangible evidence.

STRANGE THINGS IN DIXIE.

Under this head we shall print from time to time some of the things which come to us from an authentic source which show the utter disregard in which the rights of the Negro is held in some parts of the country.

Not far from Selma, Ala., a short time ago, some shots were fired from a revolver. Two colored men and a woman were walking down the street in the direction form which the reports came. The men were well known and were members of the Knights of Pythias. A policeman came running up behind them and demanded, "Who's doing that shooting down here" One of the men answered that he did not know, whereupon the policeman began to search all of them. He found no weapons on them and then said to the man who answered, "I'll take you, any way." He then added, as he drew his revolver, that he had a notion to "shoot his head off." When he drew the revolver the colored man garbbed his wrist and begged him not to shoot him. He promised that he would not if he would let go of his arm. The colored man did let go, and was immediately shot in the abdomen. In such a manner was this man deliberately murdered. It is said that the colored Knights of Pythias are arranging to send a lawyer there to prosecute this murderer, who is only one of a million like him.

PROMISE AND FULFILMENT.

Shortly after the inauguration of the present mayor of this city, the boozy-woozy element complained that the new mayor had nailed down the lid in total disregard of the "rights" of this element of his supporters. But the wise ones were not deceived by this sudden show of virtue. They only said, "you just wait." And now what do we see? On any day and at almost any of the forbidden hours one can see patrons coming and going through side gates and back doors leading into barrel-houses and saloons. Where now is all that erstwhile show of virtue? Where the promise of the enforcement of the law? Can information as to the constant disregard for law be wanting? We would like to know what the supporters of the mayor think now of all his pre-election promises? Of course no one really expected that the law against saloons and barrel-houses would be enforced, but it is not too much to expect that some attempt would be made to have these places keep within the bounds of decency.

GOOD MANNERS.

We offer the following from the sermon of Rev. Hurlstone, at Roberts Park Church, on Sunday last, as a thing of value to all. We believe that it surpasses the Southerner's idea of what constitutes a gentleman:

"My plea is for a resurrection of that old-time, honored term, 'gentleman,' in every sense of the word," said Dr. Hurlstone. "Good manners, implying true courtesy, are the result of heart culture. Good manners spring from true kindliness and consideration for others; not only for man, but for all of creation.

"The man who goes out with a camera rather than a shotgun is at heart a truer gentleman than he who seeks to destroy God's creatures. Good manners, the result of true courtesy, show in the home, on the street car and in the church, and are apart of personality.

"Good manners will not permit one on entering the church to leave an usher midway in a long aisle, while he walks farther, to find that those he led have dropped behind him. Good manners will not permit one to hold the end seat in the strret car or the pew, when courtesy demands that it be vacated.

"My plea is not for a faultless knowledge of the rules of etiquet. Fashionable society may make foolish laws, but I plead for true courtesy, such as is prompted by the self-denying Christian heart. It displays the gentleness of true greatness and strength. It is Christianity."

In order to catch a train for Louisville, Ky., a man in southern Indiana ran a mile. He died shortly after getting aboard the train from excessive heart action. The average American is in too big a hurry. Besides, we can see no good reason why any one should be in a big hurry to get to Louisville. It would have been much better for the man to have arrived there alive several hours late than to have got there on time, dead, as he did.

Neither money nor education is what the Negro most needs. His greatest need is of refinement. But you will say that this will come with money and education. Not necessarily so. We have seen many poor and uneducated people who possessed genuine refinement; and we have all seen many people with both money and education who were quite offensive because of their lack of refinement.

The Cadet Camp School, located at Stony Hollow, N. Y., is the first thing of the kind we have heard of under the charge of colored men. It is a summer home and school for boys from twelve to twenty years of age, is beautifully situated and is under a military form of government. It is under the charge and instruction of such competent men as Lieut. George J. Austin and Prof. John Work, of Tuskegee, and a number of others for special work.

Chancellor Day, of Syracuse University, has arraigned President Roosevelt for attacking the Standard Oil Company. He says that anarchism in the White House is the most dangerous of any form of anarchy. When it is remembered that a million dollars of Standard Oil profits have been given to that school the wrath of Chancellor Day is accounted for.

A jury at Bloomington, Ill., has decided that the Spiritualist church there is not entitled to the $250,000 left to it by the will of the late Mr. Crumbank. It is quite unsafe to leave money to something that happens to be unpopular. It is quite apt to be decided that either the testator or the beneficiary is crazy. Better give your money while living.

The Russian parliament has been opened by a speech from the throne and "the booming bells of St. Isaac's Cathedral, striking bass to the tintimabulations of the other belfries." And all this is said to have produced a "savage splendor of wild clangor."

With this sort of a beginning they ought to be able to get along all right over there now.

For some cause or another the newspapers that have been busy in wrecking Zion City, deposing Dowie and having him die of dropsy, have not been saying much of late. It must be distressing for all those who have been wishing for Dowie's undoing to learn that he and Volvia have reached an agreement.

This state is furnishing a number of startling bits of news. Th elatest is that of a wealthy farmer living fifteen miles south. He was recovering from an attack of typhoid fever, and took a sudden notion that he needed a piece of pie, nad stole out during the night and got it. He leaves a wife and four children.

It is said that the foreign element in China will protest against the Chinese government managing its own affairs. If there is anything more monumental than Caucasian impertinence and impudence it is yet unheard of.

When the human family recover from the dollar craze, and evolve the moral hardihood to fix another standard than that of the dollar, we may expect a revival along the lines of justice and equity for all men. We can not have it until then.

Gather dollars until they are counted by the millions and make conquests of your fellowmen if you will, but he who dies without the love of those that know hi mdies the poorest of the poor.

A woman of Indiana has sued her husband for divorce, and asked for the custody of her thirteen children. Where is there a man in the world who would do that? She must have been a badly-abused woman. This brave woman should be given a medal for heroism and ten thousand dollars in money.

The executive committee of the State Business League of Mississippi will hold its annual meeting in Jackson, on June 13 and 14, in an opera house owned by the colored people of that city. Mr. Charles Banks is president of the State League.

Indiana has had an earthquake of its own. Several of the "oldest inhabitants" testify to having felt a distinct shock on the morning of May 8. Whether this report be true or not, there will no doubt be a very severe political shock in this state about two years hence.

The United Daughters of the Confederacy are to begin a move to decrease illiteracy among the Southern whites. The colored people can have no objection to this. It will help some, for it is becoming well known that illiterate whites are the cause of most of race hostility and trouble.

Much dismay has been caused at the Protestant Home for the Aged at Milwaukee on learning that "several of the old women were falling in love, when they should have been thinking of the life beyond the grave." The little flame was burning low, but it was still there.

A preacher of Anderson, Ind., has sued his wife for divorce, and alleges among other things that she sits in the congregation and makes faces at him while he is preaching, and thus spoils his sermons. Our sympathy is with the man while he is preaching and with the woman when he is not.

Meredith Nicholson has been suggested as a "running mate" for Grover Cleveland in 1908. Mr. Nicholson is a prominent writer, possessing a good brand of Democracy. If he is to run for anything it is to be hoped that he will not be hitched up with a political corpse.

No people can excel the Jews in dollar getting, but in spite of this they are the subjects of unjust race hatred. This ought to be sufficient proof that money is not the most needed thing for the elevation of the Negro.

A separation has occurred between a Chicago man and his wife because the man was in love with his wife's mother. This is one instance where a man got along all right with his mother-in-law.

If Rosewater, who is a candidate for the United States Senate from Nebraska, should succeed in being elected, he should be given a seat by the side of Senator Tillman. It would help the atmosphere of the senate.

Whether Mr. Roosevelt is "a man of iron," or "only a man of clay, and common clay at that," it is now quite clear that he selected an untrustworthy partner when he joined hands with Tillman.

When you dislike a person because of his rudeness it is because the evil is in him. When some one dislikes you because of no fault of yours, that is because the evil is in him.

This is a day of enterprise. Moving pictures showing the San Francisco earthquake and slides for the white lights have been on sale for a number of days.

There is no way for you to escape the consequences of your own misdeeds. You must pay the price. From this there is no escape, nor should there be.

The "muck rake" will continue to work as long as men seek pious ways of getting what belongs to another without giving an honest exchange.

A dollar is worth one hundred cents' worth of service, but its value does not equal ten cents' worth of self-respect.

You must keep your word. You must be honest. You must pay your debts. All of these things are often said by men who do none of these things.

From present indications the Smoot case will be decided about the time that senator's term expires.

It will soon be time for politicians to begin naming "presidential possibilities" for the other party.

And so the Chinese want to administer their own customs affairs. Well! Well! What impudence!

WASHINGTON IN THE WEST

(CONTINUED FROM FIRST PAGE.)

thing in connection with the meeting at St. Joseph was the introductory speech of Hon. William E. Spratt, mayor of the city. Coming from a Southern man, it challenged attention. He introduced Mr. Washington as being not only "the greatest living Negro," but as "one of America's three greatest citizens—George Washington, Abraham Lincoln and Booker T. Washington." The proceeds of the meeting were given to purchase farm implements for the agricultural department of the Bartlett High School, a new work being introduced in connection with the course of study. The cooking class tendered Dr. Washington a luncheon at the High School building, and at 5 o'clock he was banquetted by the citizens of the city at St. Paul's Church.

The citizens of Kansas City also tendered a banquet, which easily eclipsed any affair of similar kind in the history of our people hereabouts. The menu and decorations were elaborate, and the various addresses of exceptionally good quality. That Dr. Washington should have taken this time from the arduous and exacting duties that press upon him in connection with Tuskegee Institute to come out here to stimulate interest in the welfare of our people, and out of a spirit of pure generosity to contribute the full proceeds of the various meetings to various racial charities, has the warm appreciation and the unstinted praises of all classes of our citizens.

Dr. Washington has had no warmer welcome anywhere, nor larger nor more enthusiastic and approving audiences than those which greeted him during his swing around the Missouri circle. Missouri certainly is in line for Tuskegee and the sane ideas for Tuskogee and the same ideas championed by the great Tuskegeean.

Our people are also appreciative of Bishop Grant's efforts to get Dr. Washington to make this visit and for the large-souled generosity which led him not to use the meetings for the benefit of his own church, but for other charities outside of his denomination. The time spent by him in working up these various meetings and in accompanying Dr. Washington was considerable, but was time well and nobly spent.

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The Stage

J. Ed, Green, stage director of the Rufus Rastus Company has given out some rules for the chorus girls, one of which is that no girl in the chorus will be permitted to marry a millionaire without the written consent of the press agent. Another is that the chorus ladies will not be allowed to keep their automobiles in their dressing rooms.

The Nichols Amusement Company.

Ray Edwards is making a big hit with "Moving Day;" Josephine Smith is singing "My Name is Morgan, But It Ain't J. P." Idella Patterson, "Sympathy; ' Nettie Timmons "My Red Hot Baby.,' Simon Jones is sending them out screaming wtth "Who's There?" Hamp Harper leader of the orchestra is doing his part. Nichols Ragtime Opera Band is furnishing the music and making a hit throughout the country.

The Fourteen Black Hussars.

"A distinct novelty is furnished on the program at Poli's Theatre this week by Lasky and Rolfe's "Black Hussars." These fourteen colored entertainers play various instruments, ranging all the way from a bugle to a drum, in very good style besides doing some clever marching and good singing. The element of fun that seems latent in all colored people is allowed full play in different scenes, showing to the best advantage when the members of the company perform on various sized drums. All the music is spirited and of the popular brand and, of couase it goes well with the audience."—The Hartford Daily Courant, May 7. Sam Lucas, the comedian has joined us as comedy will be introduced in the act.

Funny Folks Comedy Co.

Everybody is well. We played to S. R. O. at Columbia, Ga., and the boys were highly entertained at Lafayette, Ala., by G. W. Nash a business man of that city. Fred Regger, a comedian of high ability and a cake walker has joined our forces and is quite a drawing card. He takes three and four encores nightly singing "Every Little Bit Helps." Mabel Miles is still bringing the house down singing "I Am Crazy About." Prof. Williams, our band and orchestra leader has just received a a supply of new music. The company sends regards to Robbit Foot Company. J. Wesley Jones sends regards to Alex. Hunt and Frank Wilson. James E. Chappelle wishes to hear from Pearl Woods and Elise Harris.

Banquet at Kansas City.

The May Klub of Kansas City, Mo., entertained the Rufus Rastus Company headed by our unbleached American and Tom Logan at a grand ball and banquet May 7. The banquet was held in the afternoon from two to four. It was one of the most brilliant affairs ever given in the city and was largely attended by representative citizens. Mr. Hogan as toast master was the "hero" of the occasion while Hon W. C. Hueston responded in behalf of the Klub, Music was furnished by the Imperial Trio, W. C. Quartet and Silver Leaf Quartet. A splendid lunch was served and at the departing time, "Everybody Was Happy" The officers are Fred Pope, president, Charles F. Blake, secre taap; Jack Fields, treasurer.

New Orleans Minstrels.

We have just finished Georgia and Alabama after playing all the large cities and did a big business. We will play eight stands in Mississippi and then jump to Cairo, Ill., following two stands in Tennessee. We had the pleasure of meeting at Birmingham, Ala,, the Smith Amusement Company and exchanged greetings. C. Smith, the champion wing and buck dancer joined us at Pratt City, Ala. Our barytone Play S. Johnson returned to the show at Oakmon, Ala , after a short visit to his wife at Chattanooga. Dennis Mitchell is scoring every night singing "Give Me the Leavings." John Dennis, the comedy king, is cleaning up. A. R. Hntchens has returned and Prof. McCammon's Big 4 Quartet is creating quite a sensation. J. B. Norton is cleaning up singing, "Is Everybody Happy?" Sims & Dennis, Chas. McKenzie, and J. T. Cox are doing well.

Rabbit Foot's Company.

Our show is having fine success so far and Mr. Chappelle is well pleased with his new people. Happy Howard is starring the show with Lula Martin as leading lady and stage director Mr. Collins is making a hit as nephew to Charles Sandaman who is taking the part of uncle. Our band is small but is doing fine playing a star piece called "Poor Jim." Wm. Lewis, captain; cornets, John Gunley, William Lewis; alto, Ed. Collins: clarionet, Philip Williams baritone, Joseph Gale; trombones, Pearl Moppin, C. T. Cherry; double bass, Benjamin F. Stevens, the only double instrument on the road with any colored show, and he is making a hit with it. Annie May Lee, Pauline Foster, Lucile Kenchiex. Bertha Newman and Lula Martin are our ladies. Stage manager, Ed. Collins; Happy Howard, Charles Laniana, William Clem, James Means as clowns. Henry Conning, Clarence Herrman, magicians; Pearl Moppin, hoop roller.

Jones & Raymond were at the People's Theatre, Leavenworth, Kans., the week of May 13.

Brown's Tennessee Minstrels, sixteen in number, is still in line of the best colored minstrel shows on the road. Ben Jacobs in hoop rolling is a star.

W. L. McMullen is filling a three weeks' engagement at the Blue Ribbon Theatre, Louisville, introducing a new song by R, C. White "Reputation is All I Want."

Williams & Stevens are entering upon the third week on the O'Brian circuit. While in Racine, Wis., they were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. B. Crowder, the brother of Ernest Hogan.

Billy Arnte writes from the Millican Minstrel Company that everything is running smoothly and the boys are enjoying themselves. Best regards to P. G. Lowery and the profession.

Jones & Strander have closed with Stetson,s U. T, C. Company and are now located in Manchester N. H. Regards to Happy Beauregard. Robert Williams and all friends, Address 295 Lowell street

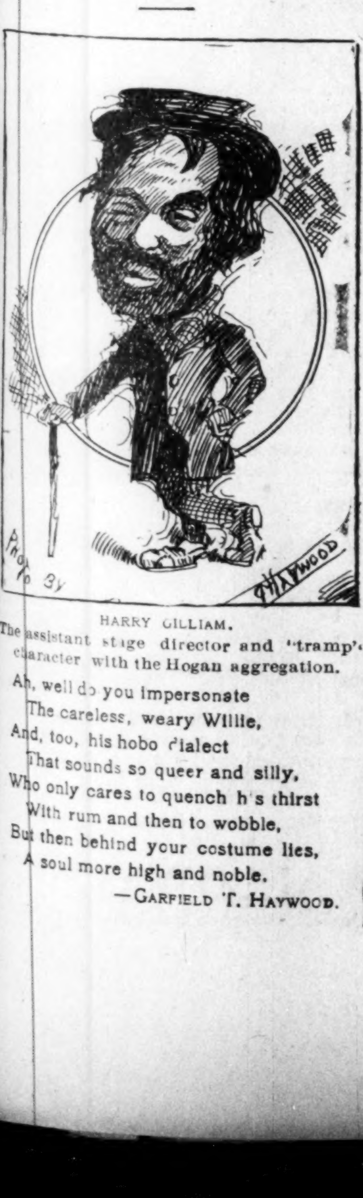
The Georgia Minstrels are doing a good business in Canada, following Black Patti Troubadours, who left a good reputation making it easy for other colored shows. Fred Simpson's Big Band is declared the best.

The Ocmulgee Park is still in the lead. The vaudeville house opened for the summer May 15 with a strong company including C. Adams LaRose, the coon shouting female impersonator. The management intends having one of the grandest pleasure resorts for colored people below the Mason and Dixon line.

The Great Paul Quaker Medicine Co.

The company left Chicago May 1, and after three days in Buffalo, N. Y., we opened in Dunkirk, until the weather gets warmer then we go to Albany, where we expect to stay four weeks. Every one is in the best of health. We have the marvelous English with his hoops and Queen Dora, fire dancer as special features. A. A. Copeland is singing with much success Bryant & Carter's latest composition, "He's Been Here, But Gone." The company sends regards to H. Q. Clark's Band with Forepaugh & Sells Show. James Rastus Johnson, basso, please write.

THE FREEMAN GALLERY



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The careless, weary Willie,
And, too, his hobo dialect
That sounds so queer and silly,
Who only cares to quench his thirst
With rum and then to wobble,
But then behind your costume lies,
A soul more high and noble.

—Garfield T. Haywood.

THE SILENT CITY.

Sweet City of the silent dead,
Where souls rest ever and a day,
The place where living mortals dread
Before they pass away.

Sweet City fair of calm and repose,
Where neither song nor voices blend,
Where from the grave the Christ arose
His earthly toil to end.

Sweet and serene in silence there,
Where angel spirits guard each soul,
They murmur softly nature's prayer,
Its depths of love untold.

—Sylvester Russell.

JESSE A. SHIPP AS A PLAYWRIGHT.

When Abyssinia first saw the light of day at the Majestic Theatre in New York last February, the critics commented on the idiosyncrasy of the play and its fitness to please or displease Americans who have white skin, (a caste of color which we hope will die) from a point of racial humor, rather than the true merits of the playwright and the performers, If we are to meet the New York critics on the same basis wtih their own cheap game, it would do honor to the cause of a suffering white public, if we must be driven to the question of color, to say that they have accepted the blacked up dilapidated soldiers and agonizing white imitators of darkey singers in the Clansman, a drama which is the grossest insult and caricature of the white races, if they only knew it, ever permitted to grate on the ears and bewilder the eyes of a nation of people, injured by the greed of a few managers, authors and critics, by force, against their will. If color is the ground upon which white critics build their nests, it is up to the black critic to throw rotten eggs at the scare-crow chorus of the Clansman so that the law, which does not take its course may see the Clansman and smell the rotten eggs. Let this be the last time that otherwise critics of New York will overlook art for the mere mortification of color. Art will ever be recognized regardless of the narrowness of critics, especially when it shines in literature.

It is true that in the initiative production of Abyssinia, some bits of the dialogue were dull in action rather than in texture, but each ensuing scene was nevertheless expressed in language too perfect for criticism. If it had not been that a complete comedy presentation had been expected, nothing in point of merit, in dramatic act, by a colored playwright, could have equalled it. So in the production of Abyssinia, whether it be its original or changed condition, it is not the dramatist who failed. The mantle of success falls to Jesse Shipp and covers him with the infinite glory of being the most prolific dramatic playwright (not comedy, comedy belongs to Cole) his race has yet produced. Even in the transposition to comedy, Shipp has made good his threat "I can change it to comedy," he said and when too much drama would not do he changed it to comedy before the run at the Majestic was exhausted.

Personally, Mr. Shipp's broad intellectual qualities compare favorably with his ability as a playwright; his wondrous ways, no comedy of errors cluster around the estimate he puts on his own valuation; he simply lives happy in striving as one whose work is never finished. His character is built upon love and unison; he is beloved by all the Abyssinia company whose attention he cheerfully commands at a whisper, and in whom we observe the dersonality of the most eminent man of his race in melo-dramatic history. As an actor Mr. Shipp is very much at home in more than one line; he is unexcelled as a lover and equally so as a dramatic actor. He speaks his lines distinctly and his punctuation is so exacting that his voice is always audible without being forced. However welcome these last applaudits may be, it is only recognition that is due his attainments and the credit which justly goes with them. If we are to dispel the illusion created by Mr. Shipp's splendid dramatic construction and return to comedy, much of the richness of the production is lost. This has been done already.

The prologue which opened the play was one dramatic picture of scenic beauty unsurpassed. While I never place any importance or approval upon prologues, in this omission Mr. Shipp is the loser. not the play, not the stars, but Mr. Shipp and the banishment of important expensive unused scenery. I saw the play after the prologue had been cut out, which cut out the shooting of a lion on the mountain top and the dialogue which went with it, and must confess that its loss was no gain to the production eveu changed in favor of comedy. In the court scene the declaration of King Menelik, is the finest piece af dramatic reading ever presented from the pen of Jesse Shipp and his knowledge of the dynasty relationship so valuable to the play. Playwriting is an arduous task and few people who witness the work can realize what the mental requirements have been especially of the favored few who prosper. So Mr. Shipp is now quite a central figure on the literary and dramatic horizon. He is a bigger actor today than any stars of his race who shine in only one radiate of light, and what he deserves is a manager with plenty of money to star him in comedy-drama plays of his own.

—SYLVESTER RUSSELL.

Williams and Walker played a highly successful engagement last week in Washington, putting in three nights in Convetion Hall, as no theater was available. This hall is the largest auditorium in the nation's capital, easily seating 5,000 people. A "capacity audience," therefore, in Convention Hall, means something out of the ordinary. Carrying such an immense aggregation of stage folks to Washington, with everything guaranteed, would have been acberts to have undertaken, but Will counted a big risk for even the Schu-Marion Cook knew the temper of his home people with reference to his stars, and he "sailed in" and "won out big," as the record-breaking box office receipts and makeup of the crowd amply demonstrated. The triumph of the Williams and Walker engagement, literally translated, means that another year will find 100,000 Negroes of Washington in possession of a theater of their own, where such desirable attractions can play as often and as long as the people want them, independent of the grudging condescension of white managers or the patroninzing superciliousness of white audiences. The Washington Post—never partial to what the local papers choose to term "coon shows," gave Williams and Walker this surprisingly cordial "hand" on the morning of May 1:

"Convention Hall was tested to its capacity last evening with an audience representing the better colored element of the capital attracted by the announcement of Williams & Walker's new burlesque extravaganza 'Abyssinia.' A large delegation from Baltimore helped swell the crowd, which was an appreciative, orderly, and well behaved gathering. Bert Williams gave a quiet but quaint portrayalof Jasmine Jenkins nad did not overplay the rule nor make it too much low comedy and buffoonery. On the contrary, it was decidedly artistic in conception and finish, and stamped Bert the leading colored comedian of this country. For the rest of the company supporting the stars, only good things can be said, the chorus being well trained, and their voices harmonized well, showing the ability with which they had been directed by their conductors.

"'Abyssinia' is a melange of comic opera, burlesque, extravaganza, and the cake walk's eccentric movements, and while it is reminiscent in places it is a tuneful, attractive presentation and must be seen to be thoroubhly appreciated.

"Next to Bert Williams should be mentioned Hattie McIntosh, in the role of Aunt Callie, in which character she makes a clever hit, and the only objection is that she does not have enough time on the stage to show how clever she can be. Anybody going to Convention Hall for the next two evenings will enjoy a good performance."

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Davis, Sam
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Goodlow, Will—2
Goodlow, Will
Helms, Billy
Hill, Wesley
Henderson, Chas
Hatch, Joe
Isler, Arthur
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Johnson, Sam
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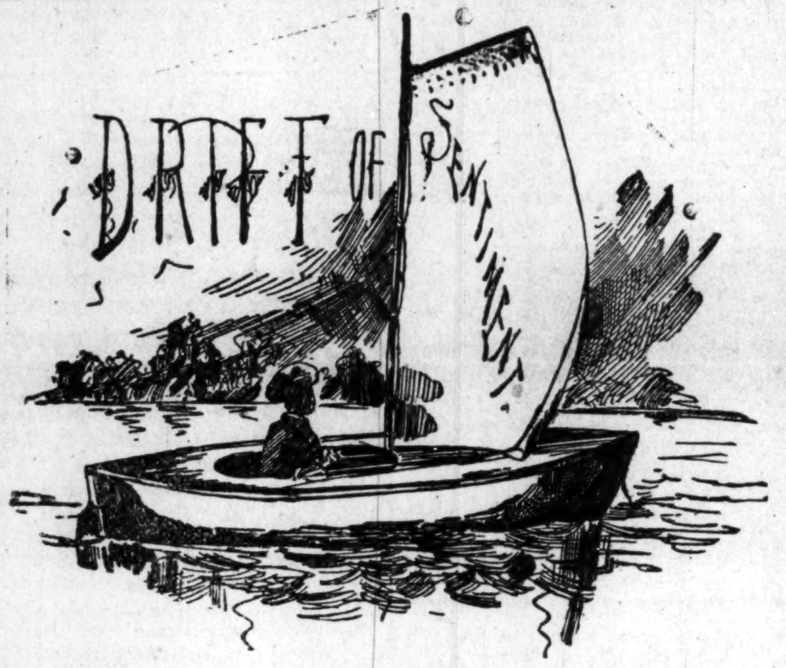
LOUISIANA MISSOURI. The People's Grocery Company has put in a soda fountain and doing a good business.—Sam Hedden has opened another barber shop. B, R. Boone has opened up a summer skating rink, equipped with Richardson's ball bearing skates.

CHAMPAIGN ILLINOIS. Mrs. Eugene Thomas, of Urbana is quite ill.—Arthur Penny spent Sunday at Chicago.—Miss Allie Lightfoot has returned from her visit homh.—The rally at the Methodist church May 6 was a grand success.—Diogenes Lodge No. 7, K. of P. conducted a special interurban car to Danville, May, 6 with about 150 persons and Brewer's Juvenile Band. The annual sermon of the K. of P. Lodges of Champaign, Paris and Lafayette was delivered by S. B Jones, of Paris. Frank Jones of this city spoke on the progress of the order.

DALLAS TEXAS. Queen Thelma, Western Beauty, Pride of Dallas and Leading Star Courts of Calanthe were visited by the State Grand Worthy Counsellor last week at K. of P. Hall. A timely talk was made on the uplifting of womanhood. At night a banquet was given Mrs Key, the husbands, sons and visiting Knights at Odd Fellows.—Mr. and Mrs. Charles Newton are residing at 440 Young street.—Mrs. Anna Starr is visiting at St. Louis, Chicago and Detroit.—Thre will be 11 graduates from the High School.—E. C. Pittman of Chickasrw, I. T. was in the city on account of the illness of his sister.—St. John's Day will be observed by the various Masonic Lodges of this city, June 24.—A Negro Stock Company is handling roller skates, at the corner of Pacific and Olive.

BISBEE ARIZONA. Zack Alexander, of Douglass visited in the city last week.—George Williams of El Paso, Tex. stopped over to visit Miss Gracie Vaughen en route to Mexico. The Cotton Seed ball given by the Cliff Dwellers Base Ball Team was a great success.—The literary clubs of the city rendered an excellent program to a large audience.—The young men of Bisbee are on the alert studying for future usefulness. Charles S. Warsham is preparing for the Railway Mail service; James W. Marshall for the Custom House service; R L Lewis is studying journalism and R. B Spikes is performing on the violin and also has one of the best equipped tonsorial parlors in this section.—The Cliff Dwellers defeated the Lowell Giants (white) Wednesday of last week at Don Lois Park.



It is time for our ministers and public speakers to stop harping on Dixon and his trashy books. The easiest and quickest way to kill a man is to treat him with silent contempt.—The Eye, Birmingham, Ala.

Wanted—to see the Negro's place of business so well kept that the passer-by will not be able to determine the color of the proprietor by the general appearance of the surroundings.—The Dallas Express.

It is not the color of a man's skin that make the man, but his character. Let us as American citizens classify ourselves as the white race. There is no harm in having self-respect and associating with the better class of Negroes.—The Evansville Transcript.

Influence is a law of social life from which there is no escape and the fact comes to us day by day that we are casting either deep shadows or bright sunbeams into the lives of those who come in contact with the impressions we make. How sacredly then, should we guard these impressions so that sunshine and not shadow may be the result.—The Zion Methodist.

Sentiment or sense! that is the question. Whether your conduct shall be actuated by a high moral sense of duty and obligation, or will you be influenced by a sickly sentiment to walk the path of popular opinion and court the smiles of a fickled rabble is the question that comes to all men as they enter the arena of public life.—The Torch Light, Danville, Ky.

We have a large number of people who do not enjoy any kind of work. Who interpret freedom as exemption from toil. There is another large and growing class who favor only certain forms of labor. Both are a millstone around the Negro's neck and hinder his progress. Our people should be constantly taught the dignity of all honest labor. The indolent horde has placed the reputation of the race for industry below par.—The People's Observer.

It is a hard matter for vain-souled man to do his duty to-day—to do the right, absolute right—if by so doing the future seems to make inevitable that which is to-day to him intolerable. It seems that most colored men have little faith in the final triumph of right. They believe that the gods help those who help themselves, but their self-help for the most part consists in saying and doing things that are neither warranted by good judgment nor by the Bible.—The Colorado Times.

Much of what is called prejudice, is not so. In the matter of house renting, when white people object to colored tenants, such objection is based on the belief that the new tenant has no inherent qualities of goodness and desires to move in an atmosphere where such qualities may be borrowed and imitated. It is pointed out that colored people lack the real powers to improve themselves. Hence, every neighborhood already assigned to our people should be kept cleanly. Occupants should seek to have bar rooms and dance halls and brothels closed. In this way we can prove that we possess strength of character to keep neighborhoods in which we live as nice as those we desire to move into.—Philadelphia Tribune.

A wise man who made for himself a private drawer under the cellar stairway, found the following things in it when he went to occupy it himself: Veils, pads, hairpins, feathers, ruching, red ribbons, blue ribbons, safety pins, petticoats, silk stockings, powder puffs, tufts of hair, corset covers, house slippers, trading stamps, chewing gum, shoe strings and other articles too numerous to mention. The wise man then carefully wrapped his shirt, underclothes and clean collar, and carried them to his room and put them under the bed. And then went outdoors and meditated.

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PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

Nearly every community in the county has or is trying to have a good school house and an eight months' public school term for colored children. The State runs the school four or five months and the other three months are added by private subscription. One community raised about $500 in three months last fall to be applied to the erection and equipment of a school house for their public school. Some of the best teachers to be found in the State are engaged in teaching public schools in this county.

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An institute or a ministers' union meets every three months at the Tuskegee Normal and Industrial Institute. The ministers are entertained by the school and they spend the day discussing and, although representing different denominations, agreeing upon plans to make their fight in common against sin, ignorance and poverty.

The County Teachers' Institute as well as a lecture course offered by the Normal School free makes it easy for the public school teachers of the county to grow more and more proficient in their work

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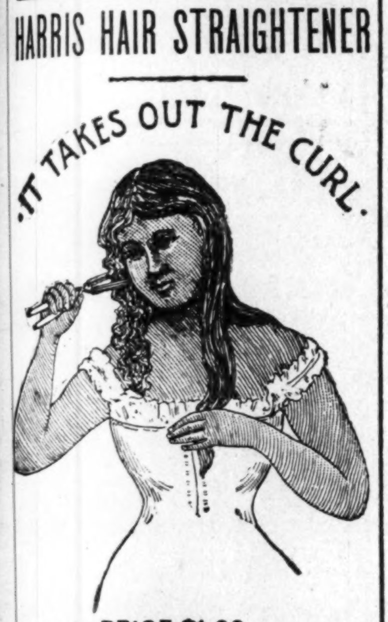
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RACE GLEANINGS

There are thirty-two colored enterprises in Galveston, Texas.

Dr. Harper, of Denver, is the only Negro dentist in the State of Colorado.

Prof. Lucius Harper, a photographer at Houston, Tex., has been awarded eleven gold medals for fine work.

The colored people in and around Shreveport, La., have raised $118.60 for the San Francisco sufferers.

The National Grand Lodge of U. B. F. and S. M. T. will convene in Lexington, Ky., July 30 and 31, August 1, 2 and 3.

Walter J. Johns, editor of the Evansville Transcript, has been elected Presiding Prine of H. A. Rouse Palatium No. 777.

The York County, South Carolina, Teachers' Association met at Rock Hill at the Chapel of Friendship Institute last month.

B. J. Jordan and Mrs. F. L. West, of Macon, Ga., have made arrangements to open a shoe store. The stock has been purchased at Atlanta.

The Colored Homeseekers' Association is incorporated in Cambria County, Pennsylvania, for the purpose of securing homes for the unemployed of the race.

Dr. George Brewer passed the best examination of all the colored applicants at the Gainesville (Fla.) examination of the State Medical Board held last month.

Sergeant Horatio J. Homer is the only colored man in the Boston police department, where he has been since 1878. He is proficient on eleven different musical instruments.

Robert Taylor, the fish merchant at Birmingham, Ala., has enlarged his already prosperous business. He is an enterprising business man and also a prominent K. of P. of that city.

Andrew Carnegie has written to the Rev. R. D. Stinson, vice-president of the Morris-Brown College in Atlanta, Ga., that he will give $12,500 to erect an industrial building when an equal amount has been raised by the school.

A mass meeting was held at Macon, Ga., recently for the Georgia State Industrial and Agricultural Fair Association. The object of the meeting was to raise the required 2,000 shares necessary to bring the fair to Macon.

George Fletcher, a youth at Pine Bluff, Ark., is developing some talent for drawing. He is very anxious to attend some art school and is working to that end, although it is a little slow as he contributes to the support of his mother and grandmother, his father being dead.

A. J. Wood is the prosperous merchant at Benton, Ala. He graduated at Tuskegee Institute twelve years ago and returned to his home town and entered into the grocery business. He is gradually building up a department store and receives the patronage of both races.

Hal Short, a porter in a barber shop in Iowa City, Ia., will be the first colored boy in the history of the Iowa City High School to speak on commencement day. He is one of the leading orators, debaters and athletes of the high school.

The Baptist Missionary Society, through its executive comittee, comprising F. L. Lights and J. M. Codwell, of Houston, and A. Borbour, of Galvestion, met last week and adopted resolutions relative to the San Francisco sufferers and made a donation of $25.00.

The board of managers of the St. Louis Colored Orphans' Home will celebrate their fifth anniversary of Orphans' day, Sunday, May 20. The free-will offering on that day from the churches, Sunday schools and all benevolent orders has been the method of raising money to reduce the indebtedness on the home.

J. W. Pollard is secretary of the National Merchandise Company at Philadelphia and T. J. Minton is the attorney. It is a department store established for the purpose of giving employment to young men and women of the race. The shares of stock are being sold for a reasonable sum and good dividends are being paid.

The appropriation of $100,000 to the Negro Development Company which has been organized at Richmond, Va., to develop the Negro exhibit at the Jamestown, Va., Exhibition in 1907, has been recommended by the committee on Industrial Arts and Expositions in Congress. Giles B. Jackson is at the head of the company having the matter in hand.

The National Baptist Publishing Board, by virtue of the authority vested in it by the National Baptist Convention to publish Sunday school literature, operate Bible work, employ Sunday school workers for the promotion of schools, etc., has issued a call for a National meeting of all Sunday school workers to be held at Nashville, June 13 to 18.

The St. Peter Clavier school is being erected at Philadelphia for the education of colored youth by the Catholics. When completed it will be one of the most beautiful structures on the Rue de Lombard. The cornerstone will be laid Sunday, June 3, Archbishop Ryan will officiate and the exercises will be preceded by confirmation services.

The Past Chancellors of the K. of P., at a meeting at Macon, Ga., recently for the purpose of making arrangements for the Grand session to be held in that city in July, condemned Sunday meetings, and the time of meeting was changed from Sunday to Friday. Grand Deputy Reid, in a speech relative to the same, said that it was his idea that the great catastrophe that had visited California was due to the worldiness there manifested.

The Negro population of Missouri is decreasing. It is less in proportion to the white population than it has been at any previous time in the history of the State. Less than 5 per cent. of the total population of Missouri is of Negro blood. There are more Negroes to the total population in the capital city of every State from Missouri to the Atlantic than are to be found in any Missouri city with the single exception of Kansas City. In many sections of Missouri the Negro population is very small. In two counties, Schuyler and Reynolds, there are no Negroes.

The thirty-eighth anniversary of the founding of the Hampton Normal and Agricultural Institute was celebrated May 6, 7 and 8. It has an enrollment of 1383 Negro and Indian students, representing thirty-six States, Canada and the British West Indies, over 900 students being from Virginia. Courses are given in the trades, agriculture, business, normal training, and domestic science and art and the graduates are able to earn a living wherever they may go. The great majority return to their own homes and give to their own people and community the benefit of their training. At the anniversary about 50 students were presented to the trustees as candidates for academic diplomas and 60 for trade certificates.

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The "Keystone" is a financial success, recently opened by a young man, Mr. Benj. Jackson. The Leland Hotel Pantatorium is doing well, recently opened by Mr. J. L. Morgan. Mr. Morris Wilson conducts a nice grocery and restaurant. Mr. Hill has a first-class store in the suburb of East Springfield. The Economy Grocery Company is a new enterprise, doing well. We have one undertaker in our city, who, through frugality and patience, is doing finely, and will do well. The Peerless Boarding House is run by a lady in first-class style at 807½ East Washington street. Miss Addie Duncan also has a store. Thompson Brothers conduct the largest enterprise in the city. Thompson & Tucker are proprietors of a restaurant, soda fountain in connection. Tucker & Webster have a nice tonsorial shop. L. F. Osborne's barber shop is one of the nicest in the city, white or colored. C. C. Lee is proprietor of Lee's Hotel, and runs a good house. There are three colored papers—the Forum, a magazine paper, weekly, having a good circulation among the society and church people and business people. E. L. Rogers is the agent for the Freeman here, and has many good regular customers. Geo. H. Jones, the general traveling representative of the Freeman, has done a telling work here in the last three months. He deserves credit. H. Sallie runs a bicycle repair shop and is improving. Mr. Williams, a young man, has opened a pantatorium at 726 East Washington. We have only three or four colored saloons here. Harry Taylor runs a tailoring establishment, one of the largest in the city. He employs over ten hands regularly. We have on the police force: Secret, Geo. J. Beard, Harry Taylor; regular, Morrison, McCollough; sheriffs, Nelson, Joe Richardson. Studying law, Jno. Brown, C. A. Brown, C. S. Gibbs, A. M. Williams, E. L. Rogers. Physicians, Drs. L. A. Ware, Jas. E. Henderson. E. B. Smith and Thos. W. Walker are head waiters at the Leland Hotel. The entire force of waiters are colored men. The Leland is making improvements. The hotel is reliable. It needs a little more training, though, along the lines of efficiency and neatness. We have eight churches—about three too many. A large colored force is on at the State House, though few of them have clerical jobs. They do not aspire high enough. L. H. Green, hair dresser, conducts a fine business, with financial success. He employs four ladies. Miss Myrtle Clem is the only colored lady employed in the office of a white physician. The Metropolitan Club, organized by the young men, is one of the most needed social functionaries of the city. Our people but need to push onward and upward. Go into business. Make work for yourself and children. Real estate men: A. M. Williams, J. B. Osby, C. H. Jones & Son, C. A. Ellis. Mr. R. Douglass has a clerical position in the county courthouse. Politics: E. L. Rogers, C. H. Jones and Otis Duncan; were candidates this spring for office; all defeated. E. L. Rogers is now a candidate, the first colored man to run for probate clerk of Sangamon County. We have mixed schools here—no colored teachers, though we should have them. But we contend that our people must demand more and produce more. Go at business of your own. Be ye doers, and not sayers.

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CITY AND SOCIETY.

Rev. G. A. Sissle and family have moved to Cleveland, O.

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Sunday was dollar pay at Simpson Chapel. The collection was $60.00.

William Walden is no longer employed in the county treasurer's office

J. R Moore, M. D., of Cincinnati is in the city with a view to locating permanently.

The annual Negro Folk Lore concert will take place May 25, at Tomlinson Hall.

Miss Elizabeth B. Waters and Miss Helena J. Sharpe visited friends at Shelbyville Sunday.

Mrs. Jeanette Paul, of Chicago is the guest of her son and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Eli H. Paul.

Miss Madeline Thompson, of Danville, Ill., returned home Tuesday after a few days' visit with Mrs. Sissle.

W. C. Thompson, general organizer of the International Laborers' Union is in the city in the interests of the organization.

At Union Tabernacle Baptist and Second Baptist churches, May Fairs are being held. The Y. M. C. A. furnished the program for the former last Wednesday night. Music was furnished by the orchestra of the association. Prof. Brown, director,

The Rev. J. C. Patton, pastor of the Second Baptist church and a member of Friendship Lodge will preach the Thanksgiving sermon of the U. B. F. and S M. T.'s at Tomlinson Hall Sunday May 27 at 3 p. m. All brothers of the order will meet Sumner Lodge Hall corner North and Blake streets at 12 o'clock sharp.

DEATHS.

George Wilson, suffered from an attack of heart disease while working in a sewer Monday. He was taken to the City Hospital where he died soon after.

Mrs. Bessie Boone wife of McDonald Banks died Sunday evening after an illness of eight weeks. The funeral services were held at the Second Baptist church Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. Banks was only 18 years old and had been married thirteen months. She had a large number of friends owing to her exceptionally sweet disposition.

Mrs. Emma Collins died at her home Monday evening after a short illness of typhoid fever. She was an active member of Bethel A. M E. church, a member of the choir, a deaconess and a worker in one or more church clubs. She was also identified with several lodges. Her husband, mother and five children survive her. The funeral services were held at Bethel church Thursday afternoon. Mrs. Collins' maiden name was Miss Emma Buckner, and before her marriage to W. D. Collins, she was a clerk in the circulation department of The Freeman.

THOMPSON'S WEEKLY REVIEW

(Continued from First Page.)

Tom Watsons, and Bishop Turner will have less room to agitate his favorite exodus propaganda. Fair play all around will solve the toughest problem that the races of the South have to meet.

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Charles Francis Adams (see May Century Magazine) is the latest descendant of a noble line of New Englanders to go astray on the problems created in social economics by the presence of the so-called "inferior races." Evidently the rich, red corpuscles of John Quincy Adams' blood have all been thinned out in the process of evolution from the author of the Monroe doctrine down to the scribbler of ethnological trash who now betrays his lack of knowledge of the African and closes his eyes to his possibilities under favorable environment. Adams, the younger, is a victim of the dogmas of latter-day mythology.

Replying to an inquiry on the subject, we would say that whether a correspondent uses the "I" or "we" is purely a matter of taste—or circumstance. If you are writing for a paper that has a linotype at its command it is safe to refer to yourself as "I" as frequently as you please, but if your organ sets its type by hand it will be well to bear in mind that the number of letters in the upper case is limited, and the "I's" are apt to give out before you have had half your say—about yourself. It is embarrassing to be interrupted in the midst of a climax. As a general policy, however, it is better that a writer use neither "I" nor "we" any oftener than necessary; just give the facts from an impersonal standpoint, be fair to all concerned—and let it go at that.

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The festive space writer is having a hard time stirring up things in the Presidential "free-for-all." The candidates show a disposition to stand pat and let the prognosticators do the worrying. Vice-President Fairbanks, who is confessedly in the lead, as the matter looks to-day, is attending strictly to his knitting in the Senate chamber during the working hours, and smiling blandly and giving dinners after sundown. Secretary Taft jollies everybody along and pushes the Panama canal and the Philippine tariff an inch or two, to let them know that something ought to be doing. Speaker Cannon exhibits how lusty a man can be who is seventy years young, and wields the gavel with renewed vigor. Shaw, Root, Foraker and Knox are examining their hands to see whether to "play" or "beg." Dickinson, an able writer in the Washington Post, is out with an interesting theory touching the political situation. Whether it is true or not no one can say, but, nevertheless, it makes good reading these dull days. Dickinson is of the opinion that Roosevelt is sincere in his declaration that he will not run again under any circumstances—at least not in 1908. He thinks the President has concluded that Root has no chance, and that he will throw the weight of the administration's influence for Taft. Further, Taft is feeling the popular pulse before accepting or declining the place on the Supreme Bench. If the situation doesn't break right for Taft for the presidency the genial Secretary will go on the bench, and Roosevelt will come to Congress in 1909 as the Senator from New York, succeeding Thomas C. Platt. If Taft passes up the Supreme Court it is a signal that he is in the race for blood. If he wins and is elected Roosevelt is to enter his Cabinet as Secretary of State and will take personal charge of the Panama canal and our colonial possessions. The story is a pretty one and leads charmingly to speculation akin to the phantasies of Aladdin's lamp. We shall see what we shall see—later on.

R. W. THOMPSON.

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GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE.

COVINGTON KENTUCKY.

A concert announcing the opening of Duncan's Pharmacy will be held at the Ninth street the evening of May 24. Dr. Koolah Voo Mah is master of ceremonies.—William DeClayton Stone of Washington, D. C. was in the city lost week.—Rev. DeVoughn has returned from Chicago where he was taken ill and is convalescing.—B. F. Howard, the founder and Grand Exalted Ruler of the Order of Negro Elks was among the distinguished callers at Duncan's Pharmacy last week.

FOSTORIA OHIO.

Miss Moore, of Loraine, O., is the guest of Miss Jennie Burke.—Mr, and Mrs, William Nelson are the guests of Toledo friends this week.—Miss Cora Anderson, of Loraine is visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. A. Johnson of Spruce street.—Misses Rosa Keyes and Nettie Bibbs attended a musical entertainment at Finley, O., given by the Masons.—Mrs F. P. Carter and daughter are the guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. L Marshall.—The Men's Saving Investment Association met at their hall Friday night.—Mrs. Nettie Wilder entertained the Ladies Sewing Circle Thursday of last week.—Mrs. E. L. Marshall, 341 Summit street is The Freeman representative.

FT MADISON IOWA.

The annual sermon of the Gem City Lodge No. 2877 and Household of Ruth No. 947 was preached by Rev. J. C. Reid. Visiting brothers of Keokuk were present.—Clarence C. Kittrell, of Erie, Pa., and who recently wedded one of our well-to-do widows, Mrs. Malinda Thomas, has gone to Centralia, Ill., to accept a lucrative position as boss blacksmith.—Delegates elected for the Sundayschool convention next week are Rev. J. C. Reid, R. H. Higgenbotham, Madame Mattie Thomas and Miss Alpha Jackson.—Miss Annie Harper is expected to return from Jefferson City where she ha been attending school.—Baptizing Sunday morning at 7 o'clock by Rev. Reid of the Second Baptist church.

FORT WORTH TEXAS.

Our busy undertaker, R. C. Houston, Jr., is arousing our folks to their duty appealing to all colored men and women to meet at the colored cemetery Decoration Day to clean and refill the graves of their beloved who have been interred there. Mr. Houston has aroused no little interest in this connection for the past three years.—The Negro Business League of the city, No. 3 is pushing things along. They are going to Mosier Valley Sunday in a body.—Douglass Park Skating Rink is affording great amusement for the young folks.—The K of P. Grand Lodge convenes in this city the second week in June. A large attendance is expected.—The committee of the Grand Lodge of Masonics are preparing to entertain the Grand Lodge here the third week in July. The Grand Chapter of O. E. S., the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Masons and Grand Commandry of Knight Templars convene the same week.—The I. B. P. O E. gave their annual outing at the Douglas Park May 7.—The Capital Bar has made an addition of 40x60 ft. Patterson, McGill & Co proprietors.

DULUTH MINNESOTA.

Charles Colby entertained twenty-five guests at a stag party in honor of his fifty-second anniversary.—Mr and Mrs. Gray will return from St. Paul today. Mrs Green, of St. Paul is visiting her sister, Mrs. Joe Combs.—Rev. Moore of the first A. M E. church has returned from a visit at Milwaukee. Mrs. Ella Syms, who has been visiting her mother at Chicago has returned. Prof Chase has just given his second musical recital at the residence of Mrs. Sleet.—Frank Henery is ill.—Miss Alberta Robison, who has been making Minneapolis her home, is visiting her mother who is quite ill.—Mrs. Hazel O'Neil has returned from St Paul. Napoleon Wright, who has been visiting in St. Paul has returned home sick.—The Masons gave their twelfth annual ball May 8. A large crowd was in attendance and Prof. Henry Williams, of St. Louis furnished the music.—Charles O'Neil, owner of the Douglass Club has made extensive improvements in the rooms.—William Coleman and wife have returned from a visit at St. Paul. Mr, Coleman is headwaiter at Boyles Cafe.—The people of Duluth regret the death of Billie Nichols and Mr. Harris who were buried here Friday of last week and last Sunday. Mr. Nichols was one of the oldest boys at the head of the lakes. His funeral was preached at Bethel by Rev. Moore. Mr. Harris was also well known. He had worked at the Spaulding Hotel for years and was better known as "Handsome Harry." The funeral services were conducted by the Rev. Moore.

COLUMBIA TENNESSEE.

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THE PARKER HOUSE

We have just had with us Supreme Chancellor Starks of the K. of P. who has been attending some high functions of that order. Capt. Buckner and other big Knights saw to it that he was not lonely. Mr. Holliman, the genial proprietor was simply beside himself in doing honor to the distinguished set. But that's his way, nothing too good for the Parker House guests. Indeed, we find him a delightful host even when the big people are gone. The unwritten motto is, "Once its guest; always its guest." Everything in season at the Parker House.

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